News release

More snow and ice expected

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Snow and ice are expected to be the main feature of the weather across southern Britain over the next 24 hours, as Met Office forecasters predict the cold weather to continue.

The rain, sleet and snow across England and Wales today will continue overnight with significant snowfall expected over higher ground, such as the Welsh mountains and the moors of south-west England.

Across southern England, snow showers are likely throughout the night and with temperatures close to freezing, widespread icy conditions are forecast for Friday morning where roads and pavements haven't been treated.

Head of Forecasting at the Met Office, Nick Grahame said: "The wintry weather should ease through Friday, but it will remain cold for the weekend. We are looking closely at the possibility of high-impact weather next week; a northerly wind could bring further snow for many".

The Met Office is working closely with other organisations such as the Highways Agency, to alert people to the risk. The best advice is to check the latest weather and travel reports over the coming days.

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